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Action Tracker for the TRINITY RIVER ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

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Functionality of TMC	TAMWG letter	1/21/16	TAMWG	The TAMWG recommends that the TMC request the TRRP to address possible adverse impacts to landowner wells or septic on a case-by-case basis caused by restoration actions, and to contact landowners prior to restoration actions that may affect these landowner wells and septic.	TMC			Mr. Wellcock's letter Dated July 11, 2016 was responded to by the TRRP (acting Ex. Dir) October 4, 2016. The TMC did not feel that it was appropriate for any TRRP staff, or the TMC to respond to the letter to the editor of the Trinity Journal from William Koch dated August 3, 2016, or any letters to the editors published in newspapers for that matter. Letters to newspaper editorial staff are not addressed directly to the TRRP, and simply provide a forum for the general public to comment on matters of concern. Several questions in regard to the flow release, gravel augmentation, and fish populations were addressed.
Other	TAMWG letter	9/28/16	TAMWG	The TAMWG recommends to refer the letters from the public to the TRRP staff.	TRRP Staff	Yes	10/5/16	At the TMC's September meeting, we passed a motion on the budget which resulted in a surplus of 189,042. Unless there are shortfalls in the 2017 budget that were not identified prior to the TMC's September meeting, this surplus will go to watersheds as per the June, 2016 TMC motion on this item directing any additional savings to the watershed program.
Watershed	TAMWG letter	9/28/16	TAMWG	The TAMWG recommends to place any budget savings additive to the existing \$500K watershed budget for FY 17.	TMC			At the TMC's September meeting, we passed a motion on the budget which resulted in a surplus of 189,042. Unless there are shortfalls in the 2017 budget that were not identified prior to the TMC's September meeting, this surplus will go to watersheds as per the June, 2016 TMC motion on this item directing any additional savings to the watershed program.
Functionality of TMC	TAMWG letter	9/28/16	TAMWG	The TAMWG recommends that the TMC change its bylaws in the following 7 ways: 1. Reject the proposal to vote during telephone conference call meetings unless the public is allowed to participate and there is public notice on the TRRP website of at least 2 weeks before the teleconference call meetings; 2. Change bylaws (Section 605a) to eliminate mail/email voting of TMC matters; 3. Shift the voting process (Section 603) from a super majority to a simple majority (CDR, p. 26); 4. Require a TMC member with a specific programmatic or financial interest in the outcome of a decision by that body to recuse themselves (CDR, p. 27) from discussion and voting; 5. Enlarge the number of voting members on the TMC to provide for broader representation of interests (CDR, p.27); 6. Add Trinity Adaptive Management Working Group Chairman as a voting TMC member; and 7. Remove "unanimous" from Section 300.	TMC	Incomplete	12/5/16	The TMC has been working to come to resolution on changes to our bylaws. We value your input on the specific sections of the bylaws and will take your recommendations under consideration when we take up this item at our December meeting. The TRRP has also recently requested proposals from experts to help refine how the TRRP and TMC function. When the experts lead the refinement process has been identified, we encourage you to share the concerns you have listed in your letter with that individual to help facilitate the review of the TRRP and TMC.
Watershed	TAMWG letter	5/31/16	TAMWG	The TAMWG is pleased that the Watershed Workgroup and the TMC has expanded the Watershed program beyond the 40 miles to include the entire watershed and recommends the TMC work with the Program Partners to identify, coordinate and prioritize projects for the watershed program.	TMC	Yes	6/8/16	The TMC is committed to working with TRRP partners to identify, coordinate, and prioritize projects for the watershed program. The watershed workgroup has done an excellent job determining the geographic extent and type of projects that the TRRP can fund, ranking projects in an unbiased manner, and providing recommendations to the TMC.

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Issue	Date Rec'd:	Budget	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends TMC revise proposed funding levels for the Watershed FY 2016 by reducing the South Fork LWD funding from \$188K to \$93K and transferring the difference to the Salt Creek Stream Crossing.	TMC	6/8/16	Yes	The TMC was presented with the watershed work group's prioritized list of projects at our June meeting. The priorities are a result of averaging each work group members scores using a scoring rubic, a process similar to that of other large grant programs. While the TMC obviously has discretion to adopt work group recommendations in whole, in part, or not at all, the TMC was not presented with enough rationale to make this change to the watershed work group's prioritization.
Budget	5/31/16	TAMWG	The TAMWG accepts the FY17 budget with the above motion exceptions.	TMC	6/8/16	Yes	The TMC is continuing to pursueways to find efficiencies within the TRRP budget.	
Watershed	5/31/16	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends to increase watershed funding from \$500K to 2 million and funded through proportional cuts from all other discretion line items.	TMC	6/8/16	Yes	The TMC shares the TAMWG's desire to restore watersheds of the Trinity River and ensure tributary streams are productive spawning and rearing areas for salmon and steelhead. The TMC is continuing to pursue ways to find efficiencies within the TRRP budget, and direct some of those savings to watershed restoration. At our June, 2016 meeting the TMC voted to try and find savings in the 2017 budget, and to direct these savings toward watershed restoration, provided that three science projects totaling approximately \$285,000 were funded first. Additionally, some TMC member organizations are performing watershed restoration in Trinity River Tributaries with a combination of TRRP funds and monies from other sources. Please also review the TMC's December 8, 2015 letter to TAMWG for additional information on the TMC response to this recommendation.	
Temperature	5/31/16	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends the TMC adopt the proposed letter of May 23, 2016 from the TMC chair to the Reclamation Regional Director regarding the Trinity River temperature control issues.	TMC	6/8/16	Yes	The TMC approved the letter regarding Lewiston Reservoir studies at the June, 2016 meeting. Seth sent an electronic version of the letter to Reclamation on June 7, 2016, and mailed a hardcopy shortly thereafter.	
Flow	4/5/16	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends that the TMC direct the IDT to consider the flow workgroup's budget proposal.	TMC	4/14/16	Pending	The discussion was deferred until the TMC's June meeting.	
Watershed	4/5/16	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends that the TMC increase watershed funding from \$500,000 to \$2,000,000 funded through proportional cuts from all other discretionary line items.	TMC	4/4/16	Pending	The TMC did not consider this recommendation as part of its budget deliberations to balance the budget. Further discussions were deferred until the June 2016 meeting. Further budget discussions/decisions were deferred until the Sept 2016 meeting.	
Budget	4/5/16	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends the TMC postpone approval of the FY 17 budget until the peer review process is complete.	TMC	4/14/16	Pending	The TMC did not vote on the budget; this will be brought up for consideration at the TMC's June meeting.	
Gravel	4/5/16	TAMWG	The TAMWG recommends that the TMC accept the 2016 gravel recommendation.	TMC	4/14/16	Yes	The TMC accepted the gravel workgroup's recommendation.	
Augmentation								

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Flow	4/5/16	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends that the TMC reserve 50,000 acre-feet of water to be used later in the year, and otherwise accept the flow workgroup's proposed hydrograph recommendations.	TMC		4/14/16	Yes	The TMC approved the flow workgroup's hydrograph recommendation except for a minor modification to delay the ramp-up a day or two during the early part of the hydrograph. This adjustment was made to accommodate a concern raised by the owner of the Indian Creek Lodge who is hosting a battered women's fly fishing retreat during the first few days of the proposed ramp-up. The TMC did not agree to reserving 50,000 acre-feet of water from the ROD volumes to be used later in the year.
Temperature	2/18/16	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends that the TMC recommend to the Bureau of Reclamation that a coldwater carryover storage of 600,000 acre-feet be maintained in Trinity Reservoir on 9/30/16 per the 2000 National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinion in order to avoid a temperature emergency.	TMC				
Watershed	12/14/15	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends that the TMC conduct an inventory of the tributaries connectivity with the mainstem for any remedial action to improve fish passage.	TMC	Chair and Vice Chair notes 12/16-17/2015		Yes	TMC cannot perform this study, TMC strongly agreed this is a concern, TMC passed a motion ("TMC send a letter to guides rephrasing the TAMWG recommendation to the TMC to conduct an inventory of the tributaries and ask for their assessment of what tributaries are drying up"; the TMC agreed that once they received this info they would then figure a path forward at that time.
Watershed	12/14/15	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG recommends to the TMC that the \$200,000 allocated to watersheds in 2015 that was unspent be re-allocated to watersheds in 2016.	TMC	Chair and Vice Chair notes 12/16-17/2015		Yes	The TMC is concerned with how the \$250,000 was handled and who had discretion over that money being redirected and not being used for watersheds. The TMC directs the Executive Director to give watersheds the highest priority to get their full budget and amount and that the TMC recognizes that this is a high priority for 2016. The TMC requests that the ED provide quarterly budget summaries indicating budget obligation, shortfalls, and savings and any recommended budget adjustments.
Functionality of TMC	9/16/15	TAMWG letter	TAMWG recommends to the TMC that the ad-hoc TRRP Efficiencies Subcommittee include the TAMWG chair and public participation.	TMC		12/8/15	Yes	The TMC agrees that the Efficiencies subcommittee should include the TAMWG Chair. Insights and perspectives from the TAMWG are valued by the TMC and help make the TRRP and the TMC more effective. If members of the public wish to contribute to the Efficiencies Subcommittee, we recommend they provide their recommendations and ideas to the TAMWG, who can pass them on to the subcommittee.
Watershed	8/27/15	TAMWG letter	TAMWG recommends to the TMC that for the 2016 budget, an additional \$1-2 million be transferred from mainstem work to watershed restoration work.	TMC		12/8/15	Yes	The TMC feels that prioritization of mainstream Trinity River restoration sites is prudent, because directing \$1-2 million towards watershed work would significantly delay the schedule for completing remaining mainstream restoration sites. The TMC chose to keep watershed spending at last year's amount of 500,000.

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Issue	Date Rec'd:	TAMWG letter	TAMWG recommends that the TMC not hold closed executive sessions unless they adopt the Brown Act criteria as part of their bylaws.	TMC	8/17/15	Yes	The TMC shares the TAMWG's desire to restore watersheds of the Trinity River and ensure tributary streams are productive spawning and rearing areas for salmon and steelhead. However, the TMC sought legal advice from counsel of the State of California and NOAA Fisheries indicates that the TMC is not bound by the Brown Act. Seth Namer TMC Chair announced at the August 13, TMC/TAMWG joint meeting that the TMC would take steps such as making subject matter for any closed door sessions available to the public, not take any votes during closed door sessions, and report on any outcomes. The TMC will take this up again at the next meeting.
Functionalities of TMC	6/22/15	TAMWG letter	TAMWG recommends the TMC to recommend the BOR limit Trinity River diversions this year to Sacramento River to the minimum amounts necessary to meet Trinity River Basin plan objectives.	TMC	8/17/15	Yes	The TMC passed a motion stating in part "... The TMC further urges the BOR to pursue all other options to preserve the cold water pool to meet Trinity River temperature objectives for the remainder of the year.
Temperature	6/22/15	TAMWG letter	TAMWG recommends that the TMC update the definition of TAMWG to the TRRP communication guidelines to reflect the language from the TAMWG Charter.	TMC	8/17/15	Yes	The TMC reviewed the changes to the TRRP communication guidelines. The TMC is comfortable with the change or the definition of TAMWG.
Other	6/16/15	TAMWG letter	The TAMWG requests the TMC obtain and share the latest water year forecast.	TMC	6/17/15	Yes	Paul Zedonis from BOR provided an email with some bullet points on - developing an EIS for the Long Term Plan. - 2015 Flow Augmentation the BOR is currently working on the environmental review for the potential need to augment flows in 2015. A draft Environmental Assessment is anticipated for public release in early July - CVO Water Temperature Modeling will examine the effects of a potential flow augmentation action for the lower Klamath River in 2015. The modeling and decisions continue to advance to develop a Temperature Management Plan for the Sacramento River system for the Winter Run salmon and the 2015 Dry WY Lewiston Dam Release.
Flow							
Other	12/5/14	TAMWG letter	TAMWG discussed whether or not to recommend Humboldt County as a voting member of the TMC, but was unable to pass a motion.	Other	12/5/14	Other	Humboldt County Board of Supervisors made a request by letter dated October 7, 2014 to become a voting member of the Trinity Management Council. The TAMWG tried to make a formal recommendation at the December meeting. The motion did not pass. There were 4 yes votes and 4 no votes. The TMC met in June and the Chair noted that new membership requires a unanimous vote. The decision was made that Humboldt County would be tabled for now.
Watershed	9/1/14	TAMWG letter	TAMWG recommends the TMC support the grants application program.	TMC	10/31/14	Yes	TMC approved the streamlining of the watershed grants application program.
Channel Rehabilitation	9/1/14	TAMWG letter	TAMWG recommends the TMC accept the No Action Alternative, defer all channel rehabilitation and gravel augmentation in Lewiston area until further review or coordination with hatchery practices, from the Future Restoration Actions in the Lewiston Area near Trinity River Hatchery Memorandum dated August 8, 2014	TMC	10/31/14	Yes	The TMC passed a motion recommending that construction work planned in the Lewiston Dam reach be suspended pending action by the Trinity Hatchery Governance Board regarding their recommendation for hatchery management action or future habitat development. The TMC did provide for gravel augmentation but that would occur at or downstream of the Weir Hole gravel injection site. The motion is to be revisited in 4 years.